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Maryland Farmers Market Nutrition Program (FMNP) 2017 Training Dates

Please note: If you took this training previously, it is current for three full years. If you are new to the Farmers Market Nutrition Program (FMNP) the Senior Farmers Market Nutrition Program (SFMNP) or the Fruit & Vegetable Check Program (FVC), **or took training prior to 2015**, you are required to participate in a training session in order to participate in the program this market season. All new farmers must attend a session in person. **Renewing farmers may attend a session or join a conference call.** Once you have completed the training it is good for three years.

The two hour training sessions are free and take place before or after the lunch hour; lunch is not provided (The only exception will be the training taking place during the Annual Farmers Market Conference on March 14). The training sessions are not held in every county, however they are placed strategically around the state to ensure ease of attendance for multiple counties at a time. Please attend the one nearest or most convenient for you.

It is required that you RSVP for the session you will be attending. See below for more info.

February

- Feb. 13, 6:30 p.m. - Washington County: Washington County Agricultural Education Center Front Building, Library (watch for signs) 7303 Sharpsburg Pike, Boonsboro MD 21713
- Feb. 16, 10 a.m. - Montgomery County: Department of Economic Development, Agricultural Services Division, 18410 Muncaster Road, Derwood, MD. **This is a dual MD/DC training.**
- Feb. 17, 10 a.m. - Cecil County: Cecil County Economic Development Building, 200 Chesapeake Blvd #2700, Elkton, MD 21921.
- Feb. 28, 10 a.m. – Howard County: Maryland Center for Entrepreneurship: 9250 Bendix Rd, Columbia, MD 21045.

March

- March 3, 10 a.m. - Frederick County: 118 N. Market St Frederick, MD 21701.
- March 6, 1 p.m. - St. Mary's County: Charlotte Hall Library, 37600 New Market Road, Charlotte Hall, MD 20659
- March 8, 10 a.m. - Washington, D.C.: The Rise Demonstration Center, 2730 Martin Luther King Jr., Ave, SE, Washington, DC 20032, 1st floor Conference Room. Parking is free. Entrance is

through a gated security checkpoint, parking lot will be on the right. **This is a dual MD/DC training.**

- March 14, 3 p.m. - Anne Arundel County: **Training will be incorporated into the Annual Farmers Market Conference at the Maryland Department of Agriculture.** 50 Harry S. Truman Parkway, Annapolis, MD. **This is a dual MD/DC training.**
 - *Lunch will be included in the conference and there will be a \$30 cost per person for full day conference attendance. Registration for this event is now open and available on the Maryland Department of Agriculture's [website](#).*
- March 20, 10 a.m. & 2 p.m. - Prince George's County: Soil Conservation Office, 5301 Marlboro Race Track Road, Suite 100, Upper Marlboro, MD. Two sessions offered. **This is a dual MD/DC training.**
- March 21, 6 p.m. - Allegany County: Allegany County Fairground, Expo Building 11490 Moss Avenue, Cumberland, MD 21502.
- March 21, 10 a.m. - Washington County: Washington County Agricultural Education Center (Rooms 1 and 2, watch for signs) 7303 Sharpsburg Pike, Boonsboro MD 21713.
- March 22, 10 a.m. - Wicomico County: 31901 Tri County Way, Room #025, Salisbury, MD.
- March 22, 2 p.m.- Caroline County: USDA Denton Office, 9194 Legion Rd, Denton, MD.
- March 23, 6 p.m. - Garrett County: Garrett Co. UMD Extension Office, 1916 Maryland Hwy, Suite A, Mt Lake Park, MD 21550.
- March 29, 10 a.m. - Baltimore County: Baltimore County Agricultural Center, 1114 Shawan Road, Cockeysville, MD.
- March 30, 10 a.m. & 2 p.m. – Session Two: Conference Calls with Webinar.

April

- April 10, 10 a.m. & 2 p.m. - Conference Calls with Webinar.

For renewing farmers who choose a conference call/webinar, further information will be sent to you once you RSVP. New farmers must attend a training session in person.

RSVP for all training sessions* at: <https://mdamarketing.wufoo.com/forms/z1aulltd0r2n84x/>

If you have any issues with registration, or questions about the training, please contact Shelby Watson-Hampton at 410-841-5776 or shelby.watsonhampton@maryland.gov

**Excludes March 14 session during Farmers Market Conference. Sign-up for that session can be found [here](#).*